

Montana Board of Milk Control
Meeting Minutes – Time Stamp Record to Accompany Meeting Recording

January 6, 2017 12:00 p.m.

Scott Hart Building - Room 319 (Dept. of Livestock Conference Room)

301 N. Roberts Avenue; Helena, Montana

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PUBLIC MEETING

Call to Order

Chairperson Scott Mitchell called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. in Room 319 at the Scott Hart Building; 301 N. Roberts Avenue; Helena, Montana.

Attendance

Board Members:

	Present	Absent
W. Scott Mitchell, Chair	X	
Jerrold A. Weissman, Vice Chair	X	
Brian Beerman	X	
R. James Parker	X	
Erik Somerfeld	X	

Montana Department of Livestock Staff:

Chad Lee, Bureau Chief, Milk Control Bureau

Mark Curtis, Dairy Accountant, Milk Control Bureau

Mike Honeycutt, Executive Officer, Montana Department of Livestock

Rob Stutz, Montana Department of Justice, Agency Legal Services (attorney representing the Montana Department of Livestock)

Guests:

David Miller, Montana Correctional Enterprises Dairy / Producer Committee

David Lewis, Big Creek Dairy / Northwest Dairy Association

Mike Ragsdale, Northwest Dairy Association

Jock Anderson, attorney representing Meadow Gold

Susan Brown, Almatheia Organic Dairy / Board of Livestock

Wendy McKamey, Montana House of Representatives (HD19, House Agriculture Committee)

Lindsey Ford, KTVH reporter

AGENDA ITEM	TIME STAMP
ROLL CALL & INTRODUCTIONS	0:00 – 3:04
I. MINUTES	
Motion: Mr. Parker moved and Mr. Somerfeld seconded the motion to approve the time stamp document and audio recording minutes of the October 4, 2016 Board of Milk Control meeting. The motion carried. All members voted in favor.	3:04 – 3:25 Motion 3:10 – 3:25

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II. UNFINISHED BUSINESS & GENERAL ORDERS			
A. Milk Classifications Definitions & Surplus Sales Rule Drafting - Update Motion: Mr. Somerfeld moved and Mr. Beerman seconded the motion to direct the bureau to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> develop administrative rules for definitions of classes of utilization; related amendments to administrative rules pertaining to surplus sales; changes to rules to improve clarity and eliminate conflicting language; and to organize all administrative rules into a single chapter to eliminate redundancy and improve regulatory transparency. The motion carried. All members voted in favor. Break (1:17 p.m. – 1:36 p.m.)		II.A. 3:25 – 8:04 50:50 – 1:12:29 Motion 1:11:25 – 1:12:16 Break Not recorded	
B. Proposed Montana Milk Industry Study Motion: Mr. Parker moved and Mr. Weissman seconded the motion to direct the bureau to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> independently identify questions that the study seeks to resolve and prioritize topics to be researched identify potential consultants to conduct the study communicate initial analysis of study needs and priorities and list of consultants to stakeholders and get their comments and suggestions develop an outline summarizing the three directions mentioned for the board's review to assist in developing a request for proposals. The motion carried. All members voted in favor.		1:12:29 – 1:36:33 Motion 1:31:54 – 1:34:20	
III. NEW BUSINESS			
A. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2018 Milk Control Assessment Rates / Proposal to Amend ARM 32.23.301 Motion: Mr. Somerfeld moved and Mr. Beerman seconded the motion to initiate the rulemaking set forth in the ARM Notice 32-17-280 presented, setting assessment rates for Fiscal Year 2018 to be \$0.05/cwt for producer-distributors, \$0.025/cwt for producers, and \$0.025/cwt for distributors, approving the substantive language and allowing for nonsubstantive modifications. The motion carried. All members voted in favor.		III.A. 1:36:33 – 1:51:30 Motion 1:48:59 – 1:49:42	
B. Milk Control Bureau Report (Chad Lee)		III.B. 8:04 – 50:50 1:51:30 – 1:54:44	
1. Financial Report		III.B.1. 1:51:30 – 1:54:44	
2. 2017 Legislative Session		III.B.2. 8:04 – 50:50	

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<p>C. Petition to Update Class III Milk Price</p> <p>Motion: Mr. Weissman moved and Mr. Somerfeld seconded a motion to initiate the draft rulemaking process to address the price of Class III milk until such time as the board considers Class III milk pricing recommendations from the milk industry study. The rulemaking efforts directed by the board in its motion for Agenda Item II.A. are to be prioritized over this. The motion carried. All members voted in favor.</p>	<p>III.C. 1:54:44 – 2:38:02</p> <p>Motion 2:06:57 – 2:37:39</p>
<p>IV. OTHER NEW BUSINESS</p>	<p>IV. 2:38:02 – 2:38:15 NO OTHER NEW BUSINESS</p>
<p>V. PUBLIC COMMENT</p>	<p>V. 2:38:15 – 2:56:32</p>
<p>VI. ADJOURNMENT Chair Scott Mitchell and the board scheduled the next board meeting to be held on March 31, 2016.</p> <p>Motion: Mr. Somerfeld moved and Mr. Parker seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion carried. All members voted in favor.</p> <p>Mr. Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 3:22 p.m.</p>	<p>VI. 2:56:32 – 2:58:31</p> <p>Motion 2:58:25 – 2:58:31</p>

Time stamps were recorded during the meeting and reviewed and adjusted by bureau staff.

REVIEWED BY
(Initials):

MC Mark Curtis, Dairy Accountant, Milk Control Bureau

CPL Chad Lee, Bureau Chief, Milk Control Bureau